REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted in response to the non-final Office Action mailed on January 28, 2011. No fee is due in connection with this Amendment. The Director is authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-1818. If such a withdrawal is made, please indicate the Attorney Docket No. 3712036-00735 on the account statement.

Claims 14-15 and 19 are rejected in this application. Claim 3 was previously canceled without disclaimer. Claims 1-2, 4-13 and 16-18 were previously withdrawn from consideration. In the Office Action, Claims 14-15 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101; and Claims 14-15 and 19 are further rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102. In response, Claims 14-15 and 19 have been amended. The amendments do not add new matter. In view of the amendments and/or for at least the reasons set forth below, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections should be withdrawn.

In the Office Action, Claims 14-15 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. The Patent Office asserts that Claims 14-15 and 19 are drawn to a product of nature because they read on a beet dried naturally such as in the sun. See, Office Action, page 3, lines 6-14. In response, Applicants have amended Claims 14-15 and 19 to specify that the raw plant material is "processed by a drying process at a temperature between 80° C and 105° C." These amendments do not add new matter. The amendments are supported in the Specification at, for example, page 4, paragraph 56; page 6, paragraphs 94 and 99; pages 6-7, paragraph 105.

One of ordinary skill in the art would understand that a raw plant material cannot be dried naturally by the sun within the claimed temperature range. For example, the highest recorded atmospheric and surface temperatures on Earth are 57.8° C and 70.7° C, respectively, which are both outside the claimed drying temperature range of 80-105° C. See, Wikipedia, "Extremes on Earth," http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Extremes_on_Earth, attached hereto as Exhibit A. In addition, commercial thermometers only have an outdoor temperature range of up to about 158° F (70° C). See, Amazon.com, Timex TX5170 Indoor/Outdoor Thermometer with Indoor Hygrometer and Clock, http://www.amazon.com/TX5170-Indoor-Outdoor-Thermometer-Hygrometer/dp/B000HU8BHM, attached hereto as Exhibit B.

Based on at least these noted reasons, Applicants believe that Claims 14-15 and 19 fully comply with 35 U.S.C. §101. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of Claims 14-15 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. §101 be withdrawn.

In the Office Action, Claims 14-15 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by "Increase in the sucrose content of sugar beets after their removal from the soil," Sugar 19:220-4 (1917) to Weichmann ("Weichmann") with evidence provided by the printed publication to Beets ("Beets"). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection for at least the reasons set forth below.

Currently amended independent Claim 14 recites, in part, an orally ingestible composition comprising a fat source and at least one raw plant material selected from the group consisting of Daucus, Helianthus, Beta and combinations thereof, the plant material being processed by a drying process at a temperature between 80° C and 105° C to obtain glucosamine in an amount greater than 150 mg/kg dry matter. Similarly, currently amended independent Claim 15 recites, in part, a skin or hair care product comprising a fat source and at least one raw plant material that is processed by a drying process at a temperature between 80° C and 105° C to obtain glucosamine in an amount greater than 150 mg/kg dry matter. Currently amended independent Claim 19 recites, in part, an orally ingestible composition comprising a source of protein and at least one raw plant material selected from the group consisting of Daucus, Helianthus, Beta and combinations thereof, the plant material being processed by a drying process at a temperature between 80° C and 105° C to obtain glucosamine in an amount greater than 150 mg/kg dry matter. The amendments do not add new matter. The amendments are supported in the Specification at, for example, page 4, paragraph 56; page 6, paragraphs 94 and 99; pages 6-7, paragraph 105.

In fresh plant materials, free glucosamine has not been observed or has been observed only at levels less than 1 mg per kg dry matter. See, Specification, page 2, paragraphs 25-30. However, it has been surprisingly discovered that high amounts of glucosamine can be formed during a controlled drying process of certain raw plant materials. See, Specification, page 3, paragraphs 37-41. Therefore, by drying the claimed plant materials at a temperature between 80° C and 105° C, a product containing greater than 150 mg/kg dry matter of glucosamine can be obtained. See, Specification, page 3, paragraphs 37-40 and 47. It is likely that during the drying process, the glucosamine comes not from the direct degradation of macromolecules, but rather

from the release of free fructose and amino acids, followed by Heyns/Amadori reactions. See, Specification, page 4, paragraphs 56-61.

In contrast, *Weichmann* fails to disclose or suggest each and every element of independent Claims 14-15 and 19. *Weichmann* fails to disclose or suggest a raw plant material that is processed by a drying process at a temperature between 80° C and 105° C to obtain glucosamine in an amount greater than 150 mg/kg dry matter as required by Claims 14-15 and 19.

As admitted by the Patent Office, *Weichmann* merely teaches beets dried at a temperature between 40° C and 50° C in order to obtain a high concentration of sucrose. See, Office Action, page 4, lines 3-4; *Weichmann*, Abstract, lines 8-12. In fact, *Weichmann* specifically teaches that more sugar was found in the beets that were dried at a lower temperature and that the optimum temperature for drying its beets is below 54.4° C. See, *Weichmann*, Abstract, lines 11-12. Therefore, *Weichmann* fails to teach a raw plant material that is processed at a temperature between 80° C and 105° C in accordance with the present claims.

The Patent Office further asserts that the beets disclosed by *Weichmann* read on the claimed beets "since they were dried at a temperature of 110° C or below, which is a process to obtain glucosamine in an amount greater than 150 mg/kg dry matter, as evidenced by the previously pending claim 3 and the instant specification." See, Office Action, page 4, lines 6-10. The Patent Office states that because "the instant claims are drawn to a product rather than a process," it is Applicants' burden to come forward with evidence establishing an unobvious difference between the claimed beets and the beets disclosed in *Weichmann*. See, Office Action, page 4, lines 12-22; page 5, lines 1-3.

In response, Applicants respectfully submit that the Patent Office has failed to provide a rationale showing that the beets disclosed in *Weichmann* appear to be the same as the claimed plant material. For example, contrary to the Patent Office's assertion, the present Specification does not teach that glucosamine in an amount greater than 150 mg/kg dry matter can be obtained merely by drying raw plant materials "at a temperature of 110° C or below." Instead, the Specification teaches that greater than 150 mg/kg dry matter of glucosamine can be obtained when a plant material is harvested, cut and dried under the following conditions: (1) at a temperature between 80° C and 105° C; and (2) for 5 to 50 hours. See, Specification, page 3, paragraph 47; page 4, paragraph 56. In addition, Examples 1 and 2 show drying the raw plant materials at 91° C for 7 hours and 92° C for 50 hours to obtain glucosamine concentrations of

190 mg/kg dry weight and 900 mg/kg dry weight, respectively. See, Specification, page 6, paragraphs 94 and 99; pages 6-7, paragraph 105. As the Patent Office admits, Weichmann merely teaches drying its beets at a temperature between 40° C and 50° C and fails to disclose drying the beets for 5-50 hours. See, Office Action, page 4, lines 12-13. Therefore, the Patent Office has failed to demonstrate that the beets of Weichmann appear to contain glucosamine in an amount greater than 150 mg/kg dry matter in accordance with the present claims.

For at least the reasons discussed above, the cited references fail to disclose or suggest each and every element of independent Claims 14-15 and 19. As a result, Applicants respectfully submit that independent Claims 14-15 and 19 are novel, nonobvious and distinguishable from the cited references.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of Claims 14-15 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) be withdrawn.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the aboveidentified patent application and earnestly request an early allowance of the same. In the event there remains any impediment to allowance of the claims which could be clarified in a telephonic interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initiate such an interview with the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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- Records day's maximum and minimum temperatures; requires single AAA battery (not included)
- Sleek white plastic housing; measures 2.88 x 5.44 x 0.81 inches (W x H x D); 1-year warranty

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Amazon.com Product Description

They say it's not the heat, but the humidity. Well fret not, because the versatile Timex TX5170 electronic thermometer displays both at the same time. The compact unit--which sits unobtrusively on a desktop, table, or shelf--sports a three-line LCD panel with bold, conspicuous readouts. The top line displays the indoor temperature, the middle line displays the outdoor temperature, and the bottom line shows either the indoor relative humidity or the time, depending in your preference. As a result, you can instantly gauge whether to wear shorts or pants on a seemingly mild summer day, make sure the humidity level is correct in the greenhouse, or crank the air conditioner as the afternoon progresses. The temperature readings range from 32 to 122 degrees F (0 to 50 degrees C) for the indoor temperature to -4 to 158 degrees F (-20 to 50 degrees C) for the outdoor temperature. The relative humidity, meanwhile, is measured on a scale of 20 to 90 percent, with the hygrometer performing best between 40 and 70 percent.

The display is remarkably easy to read--even from across the room--thanks to the bold digits and crisp readout. At the same time, the TX5170 includes an integral minimum/maximum memory function that records the high and low temperatures of the day. The values are available at the push of a button, with a second button clearing and resetting the memory on command. Best of all, the unit is notably compact at 2.88 by 5.44 by 0.81 inches (W x H x D), making it a great choice for home offices, backyard greenhouses, and everywhere in between.

The TX6170 comes with a wired, weather-resistant temperature probe (with a 10-foot cord) for gauging the outdoor temperature, along with an integral folding stand. Because of the wired probe, the main unit will need to located near a window to enjoy the outdoor temperature functions. And should you want to mount the unit on a wall rather than place it on a shelf or desk, simply suspend it from its rear hanger hole (you'll need to provide the nail or screw). As a final bonus, the TX6170 is streamlined and attractive, with a sleek white plastic housing and a snazzy seven-button control panel on the front.

The TX5170 requires a single AAA battery (not included) and is backed by a one-year warranty.

What's in the Box

Base station, wired weather sensor with 10-foot cord, integral folding stand, user's manual.

Product Description

Top window shows indoor temperature. Middle window shows outside temperature. Bottom window shows both the humidity reading or the quartz clock. Temperature range indoor thermometer - 32° to 122° fahrenheit. Outdoor Temperature range -4° to +158° fahrenheit. Fahrenheit and Celsius thermometer scales. Easy to use set buttons in classic new style. The LCD clock has AM/PM icon. Records Minimum and Maximum temperatures for both indoor and outdoor thermometers. Ten foot all weather temperature sensor. Case molded in durable plastic and finished in Pearlized white finish. Requires 1 AAA battery. Battery not included. Case size is 5 7/16 and 2 7/8 x 13/16 Backed by Timex one year limited warranty.

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After one week of normal use the Timex TX5170 stopped functioning: The readout displayed random digits. The battery tested fine (1.5 volts on my voltmeter), but I decided to give the TX5170 the benefit of the doubt, so I went out and bought a new alkaline AAA battery and installed it. And, lo and behold, the TX5170 sprang back to life -- for six hours. Then it gave up the ghost completely. Installing ANOTHER new alkaline battery did no good. I once met a retired advertising executive who purported to be the guy who came up with Timex's classic slogan, "It Takes A Licking But Keeps on Ticking." My problems with the Timex TX5170 recalled this slogan to my mind. "Perhaps that's the problem," I said to myself. So I covered the TX5170 with chocolate syrup and proceed to lick it. Alas, still only random digits in the readout. [Just kidding.]

The online product description states that the TX5170 is covered by "Timex's one-year warranty." That sounds good, only the "instruction manual" included with the unit does not mention a warranty, nor does it provide any contact information for the manufacture. The fine print on the back of the unit itself states that it was manufactured in China for the Maverick Corporation of Edison, New Jersey, and that the name "Timex" is used under license in the United States and certain other territories. Very helpful.

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Works if you realize that the item

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Easy to set up - needs one AAA battery, Compact unit, yet has nice, large digital display showing humidity, outside temperature and either indoor temperature or clock (a button allows you to select which one will display). The unit seems very accurate and I consult the readings several times a day. I would definitely purchase this product again.

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Extremes on Earth

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Further information: World record, List of extreme points lists, and Extreme points of Earth

This article describes extreme locations on Earth, Entries listed in bold are Earth-wide extremes.

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Extreme elevations and temperatures per continent

Further information: List of highest mountains, Seven Summits, and List of weather records Floration (height above/helow sea level)

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Continent	Highest		Lowest	Highest	Lowest	
Africa	5,893 m (19,334 ft) Kilimanjaro, Tanzania		–155 m (–509 ft) Lake Assal, Djibouti	57.8 °C (136.0 °F) Al 'Aziziyah, Libya 13 September 1922. (Disputed)	-23.9 °C (-11.0 °F) Ifrane, Morocco 11 February 1935	
Antarctica	4,892 m (16,050 ft) Vinson Massif		-50 m (-164 ft) [2] Deep Lake, Vestfold Hills (compare the deepest ice section below)	15 °C (59 °F) Vanda Station 5 January 1974	-89.2 °C (-128.6 °F) Vostok Station 21 July 1983	
	8,850 m (29,035 ft) Mount Everest, Nepal - China ^B		-422 m (-1,385 ft)	55 °C (131 °F) Mitraba, Kuwait 15 June 2010 ^C	-67.8 °C (-90.0 °F) Measured Verkhoyansk, Siberia, Russia (then in the Russian Empire) 5 February 1892	
Asia			Dead Sea shore, Israel - Jordan		-71.2 °C (-96.2 °F) Extrapolated Oymyakon, Siberia, Russia (then in the Soviet Union) 26 January 1926 ^[3]	

Europe	5,642 m (18,510 ft) Mount Elbrus, Russia (compare the Mont Blanc)		-28 m (-92 ft) Caspian Sea shore, Russia (compare the Tagebau Hambach)	48.0 °C (118.4 °F) Athens, Greece (and Elefsina, Greece) 10 July 1977 D	-58.1 °C (-72.6 °F) Ust-Shchuger, Russia 31 December 1978
North America	6,198 m (20,335 ft) Denali (Mount McKinley), Alaska, U.S.A.	All Some	-86 m (-282 ft) Death Valley, California, U.S.A. (compare the deepest ice section below)	56.7 °C (134.1 °F) Death Valley, California, U.S.A. 10 July 1913	-63 °C (-81.4 °F) Snag, Yukon, Canada 3 February 1947 -66.1 °C (-87.0 °F) North Ice, Greenland 9 January 1954 [citation needed]
Oceania (Australia)	4,884 m (16,024 ft) Puncak Jaya (Carstensz Pyramid), Indonesia (compare the Mount Wilhelm and Mount Kosciuszko)		-15 m (-49 ft) Lake Eyre, South Australia, Australia	50.7 °C (123.3 °F) Oodnadatta, South Australia, Australia 2 January 1960 ^E	-23 °C (-9 °F) Charlotte Pass, New South Wales, Australia 29 June 1994
South America	6,962 m (22,841 ft) Aconcagua, Mendoza, Argentina		-105 m (-344 ft) Laguna del Carbón, Argentina	48.9 °C (120.0 ° F) Rivadavia, Salta Province, Argentina 11 December 1905	-32.8 °C (-27.0 °F) Sarmiento, Argentina 1 June 1907

A.^ All temperatures from the World Meteorological Organization unless noted.

B.^ Height above sea level is the usual choice of definition for elevation. In terms of the point farthest away from the centre of the Earth, Chimborazo in Ecuador (6,267 m (20,561 ft)) can be considered the planet's most extreme high point. This is due to the Earth's oblate spheroid shape, with points near the Equator being farther out from the centre than those at the poles.

C.^ This is the highest recorded air temperature. Higher surface temperatures have been recorded, for example,

70.7 °C (159.3 °F) in 2004 and 2005 in the Lut desert, Iran. [4][5][6][7]

D ^ Temperatures greater than 50 °C (122 °F) in Spain and Portugal were recorded in 1881, but the standard with which they were measured and the accuracy of the thermometers used are unknown; therefore, they are not considered official. Unconfirmed reports also indicate that a set of Spanish stations may have hit 48.0 °C (118.4 °F) during the 2003 heat wave $^{[8]}$

E.^ A temperature of 53.1 °C (127.6 °F) was recorded in Cloncurry, Queensland on 16 January 1889 under nonstandard exposure conditions and is therefore not considered official. [9]

Greatest vertical drop

Greatest purely vertical drop	1,250 m (4,101 ft) Mount Thor, Auyuittuq National Park, Baffin Island, Nunavut, Canada (summit elevation 1,675 m (5,495 ft))	

1,340 m (4,396 ft)

Trango Towers, Pakistan (summit elevation 6,286 m (20,623 ft))

Greatest nearly vertical drop



Subterranean

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Deepest mine	+4,000 m (13,123 ft) Mponeng Gold mine, South Africa
Deepest open-pit mine	1,200 m (3,937 ft) Bingham Canyon Mine, Utah, USA
Deepest open-pit mine under sea level	293 m (961 ft) under sea level Tagebau Hambach, Germany
Deepest cave	2,193 m (7,195 ft) Voronya Cave, Arabika Massif, Georgia
Deepest pitch (single vertical drop)	603 m (1,978 ft) Vrtoglavica Cave, Slovenia

Greatest oceanic depths

Atlantic Ocean	8,648 m (28,373 ft) Milwaukee Deep, Puerto Rico Trench
Arctic Ocean	5,450 m (17,881 ft) Litke Deep, Eurasia Basin
Indian Ocean	7,258 m (23,812 ft) Java Trench ^[10]
Pacific Ocean	10,971 m (35,994 ft) Challenger Deep, Mariana Trench ^[11]
Southern Ocean	7,235 m (23,737 ft) South Sandwich Trench (southernmost portion, at 60°S)

Deepest ice

Ice sheets on land, but having the base below sea level. Places under ice are not considered to be on land.

Bentley Subglacial Trench	-2,555 m (-8,383 ft)	Antarctica	
Trough beneath Jakobshavn Isbræ	-1,512 m (-4,961 ft) ^[12]	Greenland	

Coldest and hottest inhabited places on Earth

Hottest inhabited place	Dallol, Ethiopia, whose annual mean temperature was recorded from 1960 to 1966 as 34.4 °C (93.9 °F). [13] The average daily maximum temperature during the same period was 41.1 °C (106.0 °F). [14]
Coldest inhabited	Oymyakon (Russian: Оймякон), a village (selo) in Oymyakonsky Ulus of the Sakha Republic, Russia, located along the Indigirka River. [15] It has -16 °C (3.2 °F) as yearly average and -46 °C (-51 °F) as daily average in January, the coldest month.
place	The South Pole and some other places in Antarctica are colder and are populated year-round, but almost everyone stays less than a year and could be considered visitors, not inhabitants.

Northern and southernmost points of land on Earth

See also: Northernmost settlements and Southernmost settlements

Northernmost	Kaffeklubben Island, east of Greenland (83°40'N 29°50'W (http://toolserver.org/~geohack/geohack.php? pagename=Extremes_on_Earth¶ms=83_40_N_29_50_W_)) Various shifting gravel bars lie further north, the most famous being Oodaaq
Southernmost point on land	The geographic South Pole

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